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A method for presenting recognized handwritten symbols includes recognizing a detected handwritten pattern. Recognizing may include comparing the handwritten pattern to templates representing ways of writing symbols and returning a best interpretation of the handwritten pattern. The best interpretation may be based on the pattern of a best template. At least two templates may include different patterns which represent different ways of writing a single symbol, and the patterns of the at least two templates may return different best interpretations when being most similar to the handwritten pattern. The method further includes presenting the pattern of the best template on a screen. A device for implementing the method may also be provided.